

We Claim:

1. Roofing material for convertible tops comprising:
 - a. outer woven fabric layer formed of at least 25% polymeric coated yarns;
 - 5 b. inner fabric layer of non-coated yarns; and
 - c. adhesive waterproofing layer connecting said outer layer and said inner layer.

- 10 2. The convertible roofing material according to Claim 1 wherein said coated yarns comprise a core yarn covered by an extruded polymeric sheath.

- 15 3. The convertible roofing material according to Claim 2 wherein said core yarn is selected from the group consisting of polyester, nylon, acrylic, polyester, fiberglass, aramids, olefins, and carbon fibers.

- 20 4. The convertible roofing material according to Claim 2 wherein said core yarn is polyester.

- 25 5. The convertible roofing material according to Claim 3 wherein the denier of said core yarn is between 70 and 1200.

- 30 6. The convertible roofing material according to Claim 3 wherein said polymeric coating is selected from the group consisting of polyvinyl chloride, nylon, olefins, thermoplastic olefin elastomers, urethane, EVA, polyester, ionomer, polyphenylene sulfide, polyethersulfone, fluoropolymer, polyethertone, and liquid crystal polymers.

7. The convertible roofing material according to Claim 6 wherein said coating is polyvinyl chloride and the core yarn is polyester.

8. The convertible roofing material according to Claim 7 wherein the denier of said coated yarns ranges from 500-3500.

5 9. The convertible roofing material according to Claim 3 wherein said outer fabric layer also includes effect yarns selected from the group consisting of acrylics, modacrylics, polypropylene, polyethylene, and polyester.

10 10. The convertible roofing material according to Claim 9 wherein the coated yarn content is at least 50%.

11. The convertible roofing material according to Claim 9 wherein said coated yarn is introduced in the warp alone.

15 12. The convertible roofing material according to Claim 9 wherein said coated yarn is introduced in the fill alone.

20 13. The convertible roofing material according to Claim 9 wherein said coated yarn is introduced in both the warp and the fill in a pattern alternating with effect yarns.

14. Fabric for the outer layer of convertible tops includes a woven fabric having at least 25% polymeric coated core yarns.

25 15. The fabric according to Claim 14 wherein said coated yarns comprise a core yarn covered by an extruded polymeric sheath.

30 16. The fabric according to Claim 15 wherein said core yarn is selected from the group consisting of polyester, nylon, acrylic, polyester, fiberglass, aramids, olefins, and carbon fibers.

17. The fabric according to Claim 16 wherein said core yarn is polyester.

18. The fabric according to Claim 17 wherein the denier of said core yarn is between 70 and 1200.

5 19. The fabric according to Claim 18 wherein said polymeric coating is selected from the group consisting of polyvinyl chloride, nylon, olefins, thermoplastic olefin elastomers, urethane, EVA, polyester, ionomer, polyphenylene sulfide, polyethersulfone, fluoropolymer, polyethertone, and liquid crystal polymers.

10 20. The fabric according to Claim 19 wherein said coating is polyvinyl chloride and the core yarn is polyester.

15 21. The fabric according to Claim 20 wherein the denier of said coated yarns ranges from 500-3500.

20 22. The fabric according to Claim 21 wherein said outer fabric layer also includes effect yarns selected from the group consisting of acrylics, modacrylics, polypropylene, polyethylene, and polyester.

23. The fabric according to Claim 22 wherein the coated yarn content is at least 50%.

25 24. The fabric according to Claim 23 wherein said coated yarn is introduced in the warp alone.

25. The fabric according to Claim 25 wherein said coated yarn is introduced in the fill alone.

26. The fabric according to Claim 25 wherein said coated yarn is introduced in both the warp and the fill in a pattern alternating with effect yarns.

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